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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
KLAUS URICI)
Serial No.: Unassigned)
Filed: Herewith)
For: SYRINGES AND INJECTORS)
INCORPORATING MECHANICAL FLUID)
AGITATION DEVICES)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prel Amend A

Assistant Commissioner
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Dear Sir:

Please enter the following amendments in the above-identified application
before the examination thereof. An appendix containing the pending claims – Claims
1-33 and 34-111 – is attached.

In the Claims:

Please add the following new claims:

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--34. A syringe for use with an injector having a movement mechanism
operably associated therewith, the syringe comprising:
 a body comprising a distal discharge end;
 a plunger movably disposed within the body; and
 at least one agitation element disposed within the body between the plunger
and the distal discharge end, the at least one agitation element operable to agitate a
fluid in the syringe when the syringe is rotated by means of the movement mechanism.

35. The syringe of Claim 34 wherein the fluid comprises a contrast agent.